UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

SECURITIES INVESTOR PROTECTION CORPORATION,

Adv. Pro. No. 08-01789 (CGM)

Plaintiff-Applicant,

SIPA Liquidation (Substantively Consolidated)

v.

BERNARD L. MADOFF INVESTMENT SECURITIES LLC,

Defendant,

In re:

BERNARD L. MADOFF,

Debtor.

IRVING H. PICARD, Trustee for the Substantively Consolidated SIPA Liquidation of Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities LLC and Bernard L. Madoff,

Plaintiff,

v.

SOCIETE GENERALE PRIVATE BANKING (SUISSE) S.A. (f/k/a SG Private Banking Suisse S.A.), individually and as successor in interest to Societe Generale Private Banking (Lugano-Svizzera) S.A.; SOCGEN NOMINEES (UK) LIMITED; LYXOR ASSET MANAGEMENT INC. (f/k/a SG Asset Management, Inc.), as General Partner of SG AM AI Premium Fund L.P.; SG AUDACE ALTERNATIF (f/k/a SGAM AI Audace Alternatif), now acting by and through its manager, Lyxor Asset Management S.A.S.; SGAM AI EQUILIBRIUM FUND (f/k/a SGAM Alternative Diversified Fund), now acting by and through its liquidator, KPMG Advisory Sarl; LYXOR PREMIUM FUND (f/k/a SGAM Alternative Multi Manager Diversified Fund), now acting by and through its trustee, Societe Generale S.A.; SOCIETE GENERALE S.A., as Trustee for Lyxor

Adv. Pro. No. 12-01677 (CGM)

Premium Fund and Successor in Interest to Banque de Reescompte et de Placement a/k/a Barep and to Societe Generale Asset Management Banque d/b/a Barep; SOCIETE GENERALE LUXEMBOURG (f/k/a Societe Generale Bank & Trust S.A.); OFI MGA ALPHA PALMARES (f/k/a Oval Alpha Palmares); OVAL PALMARES EUROPLUS; and UMR SELECT ALTERNATIF;

Defendants.

ORDER DENYING THE OFI DEFENDANTS' MOTION TO DISMISS THE COMPLAINT

Defendants OFI MGA Alpha Palmares (f/k/a Oval Alpha Palmares), Oval Palmares Europlus, and UMR Select Alternatif (collectively, the "OFI Defendants", and together with Irving H. Picard, as trustee for the substantively consolidated liquidation of Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities LLC under the Securities Investor Protection Act, 15 U.S.C. §§ 78aaa–lll, and the chapter 7 estate of Bernard L. Madoff, the "Parties") filed a motion to dismiss the Complaint under Bankruptcy Rule 7012(b) and Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 12(b)(2) and 12(b)(6) (the "OFI Motion") on April 29, 2022 (ECF No. 139). The parties stipulated to rest on their papers and waive oral argument (ECF No. 185) on all aspects of the OFI Motion other than those related to the OFI Defendants' status as fonds commun de placement ("FCPs") under Article 214 of the French Monetary and Financial Code and the OFI Defendants' argument that FCPs lack legal existence under French law and lack the capacity to be sued (the "FCP Issue"). The FCP Issue of the OFI Motion came on for hearing before the Court on September 19, 2022 (the "Hearing"). The Court has considered the OFI Motion, the papers filed in support of and in opposition to the OFI Motion, the Complaint, and the statements of counsel at the Hearing, and the Court has issued a memorandum decision, dated September 19, 2022, memorializing an oral

ruling upon record of the Hearing, regarding the OFI Motion (the "Decision"). Based on the record in this adversary proceeding, including the Decision, IT IS ORDERED:

- 1. The OFI Motion to dismiss the Complaint is denied.
- 2. The deadline for the OFI Defendants to file an answer to the Complaint is November 1, 2022.
- 3. The Court shall retain jurisdiction to implement or enforce this Order.

Dated: October 3, 2022 Poughkeepsie, New York



/s/ Cecelia G. Morris

Hon. Cecelia G. Morris U.S. Bankruptcy Judge